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Sensitive Security Information Protection

On May 18, 2004, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the Department of Transportation (DOT) issued a joint interim rule revising regulations governing the protection of sensitive security information (SSI). This was done in order to protect the confidentiality of maritime security measures adopted under the U.S. Coast Guard's implementation of the Maritime Transportation Security Act.

These new interim regulations establish certain requirements for the handling and dissemination of SSI, including restrictions on disclosure and civil penalties for violations. The interim regulations come into effect on June 17, 2004.

Comments on the joint interim rule should be submitted by July 19, 2004. Further information regarding the joint interim rule and on how to submit comments can be found via the following website:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/pdf/04-11142.pdf>

Sincerely,

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